

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following heading and paragraph on page 1 after the Title of the Application:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION(S)

The present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §365 to International Patent Application No. PCT/IB2003/005302 filed November 18, 2003, entitled "COMBINED BEST EFFORT AND CONTENTION FREE GUARANTEED THROUGHPUT DATA SCHEDULING". International Patent Application No. PCT/IB2003/005302 claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §365 and/or 35 U.S.C. §119(a) to European Patent Application No. 02080371.4 filed December 19, 2002 and which are incorporated herein by reference into the present disclosure as if fully set forth herein.